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TAKASHI KENMOKU ET AL.)	
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Filed: June 9, 2005)	
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For: POLYHYDROXYALKANOIC)	
ACID HAVING ESTER,	:	
CARBOXYL OR SULFONIC)	
ACID GROUP, AND	:	
PRODUCING METHOD)	
THEREFOR	:	March 14, 2007

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Since the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office waived the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications and for all international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371, no copies of such documents are provided. Copies of the other listed documents are submitted herewith.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

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The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document may be found, *inter alia*, in the specification where it is cited and/or in the abstract attached thereto.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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